

IFW

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Patent Application of

MALISSEN et al

Atty. Ref.: 3665-113

Serial No. 10/502,332

Group: 1632

Filed: July 23, 2004

Examiner: TON

For: MUTATED GENE CODING FOR A LAT PROTEIN AND THE BIOLOGICAL  
APPLICATIONS THEREOF

\* \* \* \* \*

September 11, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REQUEST**

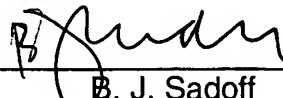
The Examiner is again requested to return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form filed July 23, 2004. The Examiner's comments with regard to the PTO-1449 Form filed July 23, 2004, in the Office Action dated August 15, 2006, are noted. The undersigned has reviewed all the documents filed with the PTO-1449 Form and listed on the PTO-1449 Form and believe that all the documents are in the English language. Moreover, the alleged relevance of the documents is described in the International Search Report mailed August 13, 2003, which should be in the Patent Office file and was submitted with the PTO-1449 Form and the references on July 23, 2004. Accordingly, the undersigned believes that all the requirements relating to the Information Disclosure Statement have been met and return of an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form, pursuant to MPEP § 609, is requested.

The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned if anything further is required in this regard. The present paper is not being filed in response to the Office Action of August 15, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

**NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
B. J. Sadoff  
Reg. No. 36,663

BJS:pp  
901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor  
Arlington, VA 22203-1808  
Telephone: (703) 816-4000  
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100